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MINUTES

SPECIAL TOWN MEETING NOVEMBER 17, 2008

A Special Town Meeting of the electors and citizens qualified to vote in town meetings of the Town of Ellington, Connecticut, was held at the Ellington Town Hall, 55 Main Street, Ellington, Connecticut on Monday, November 17, 2008 at 7:15 p.m. prevailing time to act upon the following:

1. To consider an additional appropriation of \$50,000 for the purpose of settling the lawsuit between the Town of Ellington and Stephen and Susan Raymond, as recommended by the Town Attorney and the Boards of Selectmen and Finance.

Deputy First Selectman **Peter Charter** called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. and asked for nominations for a moderator.

MOVED **A. Leo Miller** SECOND **Laurie Burstein** to nominate **Ann Harford** as moderator.
All in favor. Motion carried.

The Moderator read the warning as it was published and posted.

MOVED **Peter Charter** SECOND **A. Leo Miller** to move item #1.

Discussion began with **Town Attorney Atherton Ryan** giving a full explanation of how this lawsuit developed.

Several Glenwood Road residents came forward to say this drainage problem has been ongoing for many years and previous owners had the same flooding issues.

Gary Pellegrini, 10 Glenwood Rd. asked what the Town has done about keeping this pipe clear of debris, etc. He states that this drainage issue has been common knowledge for years. Previous owners had been well aware of the flooding problems.

Roy Crabb, 18 Maple Street commented on the required disclosure statement by the previous owners to the Raymond's and how the Raymond's should go back to the previous property owner to solve their issues. Atty. Ryan explained how the previous owner is not a party to this lawsuit.

Jeff Dickman, 9 Glenwood Road asked if there is another way to solve the flooding issue by extending the pipe further back. Atty. Ryan said that issue was explored and would cost about \$400,000.

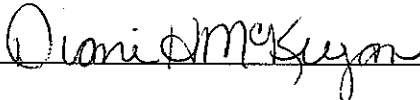
Rory Koehler, 15 Glenwood Road said he feels the issue is lack of maintenance by the Town. Mr. Koehler says that routine maintenance will make a difference.

The Moderator explained that an easement will be granted to the Town if item #1 is passed.

Hearing no further discussion, the Moderator called for a vote on the motion to appropriate \$50,000 to settle the lawsuit.

Motion passes by majority.

MOVED Jonathan Allen SECOND Tom Adams to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:  Diane H. McKeegan, Town Clerk

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